

FIVE HUNDRED BURNED IN CHICAGO

AWFUL PANIC IN THEATER.

People Piled Twelve Deep in Their Mad Effort To Get Out of the Burning Theater
--Horrible Scenes.

CHICAGO, Dec. 30.—Fire broke out in the Iroquois Theater this afternoon. The audience fled in a panic to the street. Many women are reported to have been crushed and severely injured in the rush for the doors.

The Iroquois was only recently opened, being a magnificent structure modeled after the Opera Comique in Paris.

PLAYING BLUEBEARD.

The fire broke out in the second act of the play "Bluebeard." The fire started in the files of the stage, presumably from a defect in the electrical display. In an instant the draperies and flimsy stage settings had burst into flames. The actors and actresses ran about the stage as the audience fought and jammed its way to the front doors. In a short time the interior of the theater was apparently a mass of flames and smoke was issuing in clouds from the front of the house. A dozen women and a number of men with faces and hands fearfully burned were soon taken into a neighboring drug store, where the worst injured were hastily attended to.

LITTLE PROTECTION.

Though the fire broke out on the stage, there was apparently little protection for the audience. Women and children were piled out of the doors, but the flames gained rapidly and it was a considerable time before a large number of the people could leave the building.

Meanwhile special calls and a general alarm had summoned a large number of fire-engines.

Chief Marshal Musham took personal charge of the fire when he arrived. He found the theater balconies still occupied by many persons and he promptly directed the firemen in raising ladders to the upper exits in order to save the persons imprisoned there.

Two little girls, their hands and faces blistered, were among the first to be taken down from the balconies.

DEAD IN THEATER.

At this time it was estimated that between six and ten persons were dead within the theater. They were believed for the most part to be attaches of the theater. At the same time persons were being carried from both the front and rear of the theater. The fire apparently was gaining upon the firemen, who were having the greatest difficulty in gaining entrance because of the crowds.

As the fire progressed four dead were

taken out, two men, a boy and a little girl about 6 years of age; a woman was also taken out with her face so badly burned that she could not be recognized. A man, who jumped from the third story window, was taken to the emergency hospital in an unconscious condition.

PILED ON THE FLOOR.

Fire Marshal Musham, who has just been up in the balcony, says it looks to him as if there were two or three hundred people lying piled up on the floors of the two upper balconies.

He could not say whether they were alive or dead. In one place there seemed to be over 100. He is going up and down in front of the theater urging his men for God's sake to go upstairs and bring the people down. Numbers of firemen rushed up in the smoke and they are now bringing people down, most of them unconscious and some crushed. Some of these people were suffocated by the smoke, but most of them were thrown down during the panic which ensued when some one cried "Fire."

MANY MISSING.

Manager Davis said that most of the actors were accounted for, but that a number of the minor employees were missing. He said that the cry of "Fire" created a panic and that this accounted for so many people losing their lives.

Three additional bodies were quickly removed from the building, one of a 15-year-old child and two women. They were taken to a store nearby. The child was found burned and trampled to death on the first floor.

The women were found close to the child.

While the dead bodies were being recovered, 15 persons were stretched on tables in Thompson's restaurant, not far away, many of them believed to be dying.

It was estimated that twenty persons in the balcony were cut off from retreat and probably perished in the flames.

Three dead bodies were carried across a ladder, which was stretched across the alley from the rear of the theater to the Tremont building. Most of the spectators who escaped from the balcony were rescued in this manner.

The Northwestern University Law School, in the Tremont building, and other surrounding places, were turned into temporary morgues and hospitals.

INJURED RECOVERED.

Nine injured persons arrived at the Sanitarium Hospital within twenty minutes after the fire first broke out.

At 4:40 p. m. it was estimated that at least sixty dead bodies had been rescued from the fire.

The bodies were taken to nearby stores and every possible available place. The loss of life was greatest

at the foot of the stairways from the upper balconies.

At that point the bodies of the persons who sought to flee from the flames were piled twelve feet deep.

The bodies were taken out as rapidly as the men could enter the smoke-filled corridors and grasp their awful load.

MANY BODIES RECOVERED.

With over sixty bodies recovered from the theatre a conservative estimate of the firemen was that there were at least 200 more persons inside, either dead or unconscious.

Firemen and policemen said that inside the building bodies were piled five feet deep.

In nearly every instance the bodies were fearfully burned and the hair singed to the scalp.

At 4:45 p. m. the fire was out.

FIVE HUNDRED DEAD.

At this time Chief Musham of the fire department said that from personal investigation he believed that there were fully 300 to 500 dead bodies in the first balcony of the theatre.

The firemen found at the head of the stairs leading to the balcony a large number of people piled up six or eight feet high, so tangled together that the policemen and firemen had to drag them out by main force.

At 4:50 o'clock fifty bodies had been carried from the theatre into Thompson's restaurant. Of these fully thirty were dead.

SIGNS OF LIFE.

A number were showing faint signs of life and it was impossible to tell at first glance whether about one dozen of them were dead or alive.

They were mostly the bodies of young women under 20 years of age and children from 8 to 13 years old. The bodies were placed on the floor, on chairs, tables, and one young woman, in dripping garments, was stretched along the cigar

case. All the large dry-goods stores of the city which were situated within two squares of the theatre, as soon as they heard of the emergency, sent wagon-load after wagon-load of blankets, linen and cotton for bandages.

FIFTY PHYSICIANS CALLED.

All of their teams were placed at the disposal of the authorities and were utilized in conveying the wounded to hospitals or to the offices of nearby physicians.

Within 15 minutes after the fire broke out fully 50 physicians were on the scene and trained nurses seemed to spring from the ground, so rapidly did they appear.

As soon as a body was taken into Thompson's or into one of the neighboring stores it was examined with a stethoscope for signs of life.

At 5 p. m. the police estimated that 500 persons either lost their lives or were injured in the fire.

Some of the persons being carried from the building at that hour were still alive.

ONE HUNDRED DEAD.

At 5:05 p. m. one hundred dead bodies had been taken to the principal morgue of the city. The keeper refused to take any more bodies, saying the place was filled to overflowing with dead, though wagons were backing up to the door constantly with more bodies.

AN AWFUL SCENE.

Most of the occupants of the first gallery were caught in a trap. When the fire burst out they, with one simultaneous run, made for the exits. In the aisles they fought tooth and nail and when the firemen reached the balcony they found bodies upright, wedged between chairs, like so many sticks. Some of them were burned to a crisp, others were suffocated, while some in their frenzy had leaped over the balcony rail into the auditorium and were incinerated.

FOUND MISSING BOY AT MORGUE.

BERKELEY, December 30.—Just twelve hours before the San Francisco Coroner was to enter in the poet's field the remains of the unknown man killed by an electric car at the corner of Pacific and Kearny streets, in San Francisco, on Christmas day, Mr. and Mrs. Vincenzo Faletti of 609 Forty-sixth street identified the body as being that of their son, Joseph Faletti, a prominent young member of the Italian colony about Alameda. For three days the crushed body of the young man lay at the Morgue, and during that period Mr. and Mrs. Faletti wondered what had become of their son, who had left home on Christmas morning to spend the holidays in San Francisco.

As the time wore on the distracted parents entertained the worst fears, and last night resolved to make a search of the morgues. Mrs. Faletti identified the clothing of the young man as being that of her son, but demanded that she be allowed to look on the face of her boy. A heart-rending fight ensued and the heart-broken mother had to be borne away. The body will be brought to the Faletti residence for the funeral.

It is said that the deceased was under the influence of liquor at the time of the accident. As the Mission-street

car was descending an incline Faletti reeled in front of it and the front wheels passed over him.

The body was so wedged under the car that truck company No. 2 of the Fire Department was called and directed to assist in raising the car and chopping the steps away with an ax. It was found at the Morgue that the wheels had passed over the unfortunate's abdomen, practically severing the lower extremities from the trunk. Although the clothes bore the label of Heeseman & Co. of Oakland it was not until the parents of the dead man called at the Morgue that the identification was completed.

REMAINS OF GIANT FOUND.

Bones Are Unearthed in The Old Indian Shell Mound.

Prehistoric Man Was at Least Seven Feet in Height.

BERKELEY, Dec. 30.—While excavating the old Indian Shell Mound at West Berkeley this morning, Captain Newton H. Chittenden, a well known traveler and scientist, found the remains of a prehistoric aboriginal giant.

While the complete skeleton was not found, there are enough bones to show that the man was at least 7 feet in height.

The bones are well preserved and will be presented by Captain Chittenden to the Berkeley High School Museum.

CHINA WILL SEND COPY OF TREATY.

PARIS, Dec. 30.—The Chinese government has promised United States Minister Conger to soon forward the Chinese copy of the treaty to Washington for the exchange of ratifications. It is necessary first to obtain the emperor's seal. After the treaty is ratified the opening of Mukden and Antung to the commerce of the world can be pressed.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

NEW YORK, December 30.—At the meeting of the directors of the Seaboard Air Line today J. Skelton Williams resigned the office of president of the company and Vice-president Barr was elected president and general manager. Mr. Williams was elected chairman of the board of directors.

JAPAN CONFIDES TO THE POWERS.

LONDON, Dec. 30.—In response to an inquiry from the Associated Press as to whether it was true, as asserted by the Lokal Anzeiger of Berlin, that Japan had notified the powers that the Russian-Japanese situation was desperate and that an immediate reply would be required from Russia, falling which Japan would strike, the following statement was made by the Japanese legation tonight: "Japan has confided to the powers concerned the circumstances under which the negotiations have been carried on hitherto, justifying her action, but not at all in the sense that your query indicates."

FIERCE BATTLE IN COLLEGE TOWN STORE.



FRANK P. PAGAN, WHO WAS ATTACKED BY JOHN CARLSON, A DISCHARGED EMPLOYEE, THIS MORNING.

Union Man Tries to Kill Employer Because Rules Were Violated.

BERKELEY, Dec. 30.—Ralph Phelps, a former student and prominent fraternity man of the University of California saved the life of Frank D. Pagan, an electrical contractor, who was threatened this morning by John Carlson, a discharged employee. After a few words with Pagan in his place of business at 2123 1/2 Center street, this morning, Carlson drew a pistol from his pocket and started toward Pagan with an oath. Phelps, who was standing near the door saw Carlson's purpose and sprang on the man from behind, throwing him to the floor. At the same time he grabbed the pistol Carlson held in his hand, and prevented him from aiming it at Pagan. During the struggle Phelps managed to drag Carlson to the sidewalk where he held him while Pagan telephoned to the police. Deputy Marshal Howard answered the call and placed the enraged electrical worker under arrest. He has been charged with assault with a deadly weapon with intent to kill.

Last Saturday, it seems, Frank Pagan who has been conducting an electrical business in Berkeley concluded that he could not keep up with the exactions of the Electrical Workers' Union and still earn a living so he decided to do some of the electrical work himself. According to the constitution of the Union, the boss electricians are not allowed to work on the electrical jobs and when Carlson arrived at the store Saturday noon and learned of his employer's action he was enraged and told Pagan that he would not be permitted to work as he would report the matter to the union.

Carlson then announced that he would no longer work for Pagan who was then compelled to send for his brother to take the disgruntled electrician's place.

"Instead of leaving the store," said Pagan this morning in speaking of his experience with Carlson, "he hung around all day Saturday abusing me and making threats. I simply could not comply with the requirements of the union and still make a living, so I was compelled to become non-union. This fact seems to have enraged Carlson beyond all measure. Monday he followed me around all day saying that he had reported the matter to the union, and that the union would destroy my business. He also said that a boycott would soon be established. I paid no attention to his threats, although he greatly annoyed me by following me to all the houses where I had occasion to do electrical work. "Yesterday I did not see him but this morning, shortly after 9 o'clock, he came into the store again while I was talking to Mr. Phelps and began his tirade about unionism. I told him two or three times to leave the store but this only seemed to enrage him more. Then suddenly he reached for his pocket and drew a pistol which he shoved in my face. I thought my last moment had come when Phelps rushed to the fellow and threw him to the floor. I then rushed to the telephone, seeing that Carlson was overpowered, and summoned an officer."

At the jail Carlson expressed repentance for his act. He was extremely docile and insisted that he did not mean to harm Pagan, but only wanted to scare him. "He violated the union rule by working himself, for he signed the constitution of the union which prohibits him from doing this. Then he had his brother work for him who is also a non-union man, and I simply could not stand that."

PAIN DROVE HIM TO END HIS MISERY.

Wearied in his struggle against a life of continued pain and despondent because he could not overcome it, Jerome Pugoll, aged 38 years, last night ended his sufferings with a dose of poison taken with suicidal intent.

Deceased resided with his wife and fourteen-year-old daughter at 4152 Telegraph avenue, and here he committed the deed that has brought sorrow to his little family. It was to his wife that he told what he had done. Dr. Mousier was hastily called, but could do nothing for the man, and he died at 12:30 o'clock this morning. About three years ago the family came down from Knights Landing, and Pugoll found employment with the Southern Pacific Company about the freight sheds and sugar refinery. He was suffering with an affection of the stomach, which gradually grew worse, and he finally submitted to an operation for its relief. The organ was cut into, lapped over and sewed

into shape, and Pugoll hoped his troubles were ended. But the hope proved a vain one. Notwithstanding his physical condition he felt compelled to go to work again, and did so too soon after the operation was performed. The hard labor he was going brought on a bad hernia which compelled him to lay off again, and finally to quit the service of that company. He found lighter employment as a conductor for the Oakland Transit, and was working on the North Berkeley branch, although in constant pain, which frequently compelled him to lay off for days at a time. About a week ago one of these vacations was forced upon him. Dr. Stratton saw him and treated him on the 24th, but Pugoll seemed to get no relief and last night ended his misery and his life. What he took will not be known until an autopsy is held, although a box containing a few morphine pills was found beside his bed. The inquest has not been set.

Actors and singers must prevent sore throats. They have used Piso's Cure 40 yrs.

WHY THE TRIBUNE'S SPORTING NEWS IS THE BEST.

THE TRIBUNE again demonstrated the superiority of its sporting news on Monday, when it announced its selections for yesterday's races at Ingleside. The handicap at a mile and a sixteenth, with \$1000 to the winner, was run with ten starters, comprising some of the best horses in the country. Through its columns on Monday THE TRIBUNE picked Oarsman, Fossil and Divina to finish in the order named.

The result of the race was Oarsman first by a head, Fossil second by two lengths and Divina third by half a length. In this connection it is a notable fact that THE TRIBUNE was the only paper on either side of the bay to pick the horses one, two, three in the big event.

This is not the first time that THE TRIBUNE has picked the first three in the order they finished, as it has been done several times since the meeting opened six weeks ago. It is only another evidence of the reliability of THE TRIBUNE'S sporting news.

JUDGE SEAWELL DECIDES THREE MEN LOSE GOVERNMENT TO FRANCHISE ISSUE. TAKE CHARGE.

Says Contra Costa Company Should Pay the Tax in San Francisco.

SAN FRANCISCO, December 30.—Judge Seawell has signed the findings and judgments in favor of the city and county in the suits brought against the Oakland Water Company and the Contra Costa Water Company to compel the payment of taxes for the year 1899 on their Alameda county franchises.

In this decision Judge Seawell lays down a rule directly contrary to the rule set forth in a decision rendered by Judge Budd of Stockton, now deceased. Judge Seawell upholds the doctrine that the franchises of a corporation are assessable in the county where its principal place of business is located. Judge Budd held that franchises are assessable in the counties in which they are granted and in which they are operated. The Contra Costa Water Company's franchises are all in Alameda county, but being a San Francisco corporation, its principal place of business is in that city.

As double taxation is unconstitutional, it follows that if the franchises are taxable in Alameda county, they are not taxable in San Francisco. Thus the anomaly would be presented of one county granting a franchise and another taxing it. Judge Budd held that such an anomaly was irreconcilable with public policy and the principles of justice. The Supreme Court will probably have to decide between the conflicting views of Seawell and Budd.

As the Oakland Water Company was absorbed by the Contra Costa, the suits decided were virtually against the latter corporation. A demurrer to the first complaint filed in each suit was sustained by Judge Seawell, but the attorneys who were prosecuting the

THEY WERE BURNED TO DEATH IN TROY CLUB.

TROY, N. Y., Dec. 30.—Moses T. Clough, the pastor of the Besseler county bar, and the last survivor of the class of 1848 of Dartmouth College, William Shaw, and Benjamin W. Kinney, manager for the Fuller-Warren Company of Boston, lost their lives in a fire which partially destroyed the Troy Club today. Although the fire was not a great one, the windows nothing could be done to save them, so the smoke and heat so rapid the progress of the flames.

Edward Carpenter of New York was taken from an upper window by the fire and killed. He was in town preparing for his marriage with a young society woman of the city. All the persons killed were occupying rooms on the upper floor of the club building which is four stories in height, and it was the part the flames attacked first.

UNITED STATES WILL TAKE OVER PROPERTY IN HAWAII.

WASHINGTON, December 30.—By proclamation dated December 28, 1908, President Roosevelt has directed that all public property of the former governments of Hawaii and consisting of lighthouses and public lands used in connection therewith, lighthouse vessels, lighthouse tenders, beacons, buoys, sea marks and their appendages and supplies and materials of all kinds provided therefore, be taken for the use of the United States, and that the Department of Commerce and Labor, through the lighthouse board, be charged with all administrative duties relating to the Hawaiian lighthouse establishment.

Secretary Cortelyou at once cabled the President's proclamation to the Governor of Hawaii, and informed him that the Federal Government would assume charge of the Hawaiian lighthouse establishment on January 1, 1909.

As a modus vivendi, the Secretary of Commerce and Labor authorized the Governor to maintain the Hawaiian lighthouse service at the expense of the Federal Government, promising to reimburse him immediately thereafter through the lighthouse board.

The present Hawaiian lighthouse-keepers are all taken over into the United States lighthouse service, which pays them for their services from and after January 1.

The lighthouse board will, at its session on January 4, 1909, by formal action, make the Territory of Hawaii a part of the twelfth lighthouse district. An officer of the United States Navy will be detailed as assistant to the inspector of the twelfth lighthouse district, to reside at Honolulu and act under the orders of the inspector of the twelfth district.

WILL GO TO THE JURY TODAY.

The third trial of Frank Mendoza charged with stealing cattle, is expected to go to the jury today. The hearing of the case has consumed the better part of two weeks, but the evidence is all in and only the arguments of the attorneys remain to be added to the testimony of the witnesses.

Mendoza is charged by his neighbors who live in the hills back of Sunol with having stolen cattle. Over twenty complaints were made against Mendoza family in Santa Clara county. Mendoza denies the charges, but all with the exception of the charges against Frank Mendoza were after several days of trial were dismissed. He was tried after Jose and was acquitted and the other charges made against him there were dismissed.

Neighbors living over the boundary line in Alameda county then took the matter up and Frank Mendoza was brought to trial before the District Attorney here, charging Frank Mendoza with having stolen several head of cattle belonging to him. This is the third trial in this county and with the one in Santa Clara makes the fourth time he has been tried.

Attorneys for Mendoza have suggested in presenting the facts in such a way as to raise a grave doubt in the minds of the jury as to the reliability of some of the witnesses. The cattle were found in a pasture which Mendoza had hired from a neighbor by the name of Mr. Sanchez. Sanchez denies this and it is on the question of who is telling the truth that the matter that Mendoza's fate hangs.

"Pit" Sanchez, a son of Modesta Sanchez, testified that as he was riding out of his place one night he overtook Frank Mendoza driving a bunch of cattle ahead of him. It was so dark that he was unable to identify any of the men, however, rode for a mile or so along with Mendoza and helped him drive them until he came to where the road which he was going to travel branched off, when he left Mendoza to go by himself.

Mendoza claims that he bought the cattle of Sanchez and that he overtook him drive them down to the main road. The brands of the cattle had been altered, and Mendoza was responsible for the fact whether it was done before the alleged purchase by Mendoza or matters not clear.

The entire matter is one of much interest to people living for miles in the neighborhood, as they have been troubled with cattle rustlers for many years and come is watched with much interest.

TRUSTEES SUSPEND THE CURATOR.

At the regular meeting of the Board of Library Trustees last night a lengthy investigation was held in the case of Miss Mary Burdick, who was curator of the library room in order and when not there herself had always provided a substitute. Among those appearing at the hearing were William Wallace, H. G. Woodburn, Miss Alice Woodburn and Deputy City Auditor Stanley.

The charges of neglect of duty filed against Dwight Strong, curator of the Central reading room, will be taken up at the next regular meeting of the Board of Library Trustees on January 5.

A large number of the witnesses testified that Miss Burdick had a ways kept the library room in order and when not there herself had always provided a substitute. Among those appearing at the hearing were William Wallace, H. G. Woodburn, Miss Alice Woodburn and Deputy City Auditor Stanley.

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ROOSEVELT TO BE SUBPOENAED.

BINGHAMTON, N. Y., Dec. 30.—It is understood that President Roosevelt, Senator Thomas C. Platt and J. P. Morgan and other prominent men will be subpoenaed as witnesses for the trial of the case against John D. Rockefeller, charged with covering \$200,000 for suggesting the plan which Mr. Wallis claims was followed in setting the big anthracite coal strike a year ago.

The case is on the calendar for the term of the Supreme Court to convene in this city next Monday. It is not known whether it will be reached for trial at this time, however, as the Canfield case may be tried at this time.

DIED WHILE ON LIVERMORE TRAIN.

A. S. Moore, a member of the wholesale commission house of George A. Moore & Co., 208 California street, San Francisco, died suddenly from heart disease yesterday while conversing with friends on the afternoon train from Sacramento.

About 2 o'clock, as the train was running west-bound from Alameda to Livermore, Mr. Moore suddenly gave a groan of pain, clutched at his seat and fell forward from his seat and was instantly summoned Conductor Harry Brydges, who found a doctor on the train. The physician went to the stricken man but his services were not needed. Coroner Morfitt was notified from Livermore and the body was brought through on the train to Oakland, where the Coroner took charge of it.

Mr. Moore, being traveling salesman for the firm in which he was associated with his brother, had been out in the interior of the State on a business trip. George A. Moore, his brother, wired to Oakland, where his wife was staying temporarily.

Mr. Moore also represented the California Vinegar Company and resided in San Francisco.

CASE IS TRANSFERRED.

LOS ANGELES, December 30.—The attempt to prove that a pending agreement exists between the Southern Pacific and the Santa Fe in routing citrus fruit shipments east from Southern California, has been transferred from the court of United States Commissioner Cates, where the matter has been in hearing for the past two days, to the national capital, Counsel for the Department of Justice in the issue and representatives of the Santa Fe's law department leave for Washington this evening. On January 5, the initial lines involved will take additional testimony in Chicago and later the attorney issue to determine whether the \$125 postage stamp rate is reasonable will be tried out before the Inter-State Commerce Commission.

DISPENSATION OF ABSTINENCE GRANTED.

The following notice appeared in the "Monitor," the official paper of the Catholic church of this city:

"His Holiness, Pope X, has kindly granted to the faithful of the Catholic world a dispensation from the ecclesiastical law of abstinence from Friday, January 1, 1909, the feast of the Circumcision of our Lord."

"F. W. RIORAN,"
"Archbishop of San Francisco."

IS INVESTIGATING M'LENEGAN IS ON SHOOTING.

DISTRICT ATTORNEY HAS NOT DECIDED ABOUT CHOISER KILLING.

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 30.—Attorneys F. W. Chosier of Harrisburg and D. M. Parish of Carmel, Ill., cousins of Joseph and Louis Chosier of Equality, Ill., who were slain by detectives in this city ten days ago, have arrived to assist in the work of prosecuting the case against the officers.

The district attorney is investigating the shooting, but has not yet decided whether criminal proceedings will be brought or not. All three of the officers are under suspension from duty, pending the hearing before the police board, which is set for tomorrow.

A telegram has been received here from the local lodge of the Masonic order in Eldorado, Ill., stating that Joseph Chosier was a member of that lodge, and calling upon the order in Los Angeles to investigate his death.

The Eastern relatives of the Chosiers deny that either of the dead men were guilty of any crime, and assert there was neither warrant nor indictment against them.

JAPANESE PRIVY COUNCIL MADE BAD BLUNDER.

YOKOHAMA, Dec. 30.—At an extraordinary meeting of the privy council today, the fact was developed that no time limit had been set for Russia's reply to the last official note from the Japanese government.

A strong opposition is now publicly manifested to the cabinet, owing to the dilatory tactics they are pursuing.

The latest government ordinance announced yesterday the commander of Formosa with full authority to act in case war is declared.

WEATHER FORECAST.

SAN FRANCISCO, December 30.—San Francisco and vicinity: Fair this afternoon and tonight; Thursday cloudy; light north wind changing to south-east.

19.04 should be 25.00

Our Great \$19.04 Sale

You can buy any of the following \$25.00 articles for \$19.04. We're going to begin our great 1904 sale with some rare bargains:

\$25.00 CHINA CLOSET FOR...\$19.04
\$25.00 SIDE BOARD FOR...\$19.04
\$25.00 MORRIS CHAIR FOR...\$19.04
\$25.00 FANCY COUCH FOR...\$19.04
\$25.00 DINING TABLE FOR...\$19.04
\$25.00 BOOK CASE FOR...\$19.04

In fact the regular \$25.00 article will all be sold for \$19.04. See our windows for great specials. The Pioneer Credit House has big doing for 1904.

THE METROPOLITAN FURNITURE CO.

514-16-18-20 TWELFTH ST. OAKLAND.

More After-Christmas Sales Waists-Children's Coats-Hats

This time wearables suffer sharp reduction. In the course of making an after-Christmas clearance, we have already announced cuts of from one-quarter to one-half on fur and feather boas, lounging robes, fancy leather goods, jewelry, photograph frames, pictures, bric-a-brac, china and cut glass.

To-day we turn our and your attention to another field. It's worth investigating.

- ### WAISTS
- "Every waist in stock must be sold before the arrival of spring orders." That is the edict which has caused heavy reductions all along the line. A few of them we mention below:
- \$2.25 Waist—Waist of green, blue, or tan, fleece-lined cheviot—all sizes—For \$1.00
 - \$1.75 Waist—A dressy waist of green or white, basket-weave Oxford, stitched in black. For \$1.00
 - \$2.75 Waist—This is a waist of fleeced cheviot, showing broken black, green and blue stripes in a white ground. For \$2.00
 - \$3.25 Waist—Heavy English vesting, showing black pin stripes on a white ground, is the material used in this waist. It has fancy adjustable studs and is cut on attractive lines. For \$2.25
 - \$4.50 Waist—Another black and white waist of English vesting has a stole front, trimmed with small pearl buttons. For \$3.00
 - \$5.00 Waist—Waist of navy blue lousine, elaborately tucked and fagotted. For \$3.00
 - \$5.50 Waist—This is a waist of very fine imported English cheviot, showing white ground, dotted in colors. It is trimmed with black tabs and gun metal buttons. An extraordinary value. For \$3.50

- ### HATS
- Although the season is far from an end, our millinery department offers hats of every kind—imported pattern hats, ready-to-wear hats and untrimmed hats at reductions of nearly fifty per cent. These we specify today are indicative of the prices which prevail throughout the department.
- \$3.50 Hats—Tailor hats and turbans in black and colors, trimmed with feathers, buckles or braid. For \$1.50
 - \$5.50 Hats—Walking hats and ready-to-wear turbans in a wide range of effects and trimmings. For \$2.50
 - \$7.00 and \$9.00 Hats—Ready-to-wear hats and turbans of velvet, chenille and felt in the latest shapes. For \$3.50 and \$4.50

- ### COATS
- (TWO TO FOUR YEARS.)
- These are coats for the latest ones, warm, pretty trimmed and altogether attractive and serviceable. A purchase now means a saving of about one-fourth.
- Coats of green and blue broadcloth—reduced from \$4.50 to \$3.50
 - Black taffeta coats—reduced from \$5.50 to \$4.00 each
 - Tan and red broadcloth coats, trimmed with velvet—reduced from \$6.75 to \$5.25 each

Taft & Pennoyer

Broadway Fourteenth

STOCK MARKET

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 30.—The following quotations up to noon today are given by Bolton, De Ruyter & Co., of 490 California street:

MISCELLANEOUS BONDS.	
Bay Coun Power Co 5%.	101 1/2
Mt. St Ry 1st Cons Mfg 5%.	113 1/2
Northern Ry of Cal 5%.	114 1/2
Northern Cal Power 5%.	100 1/2
North Shore 5%.	101 1/2
Oakland Trust 5%.	103 1/2
Sact Elec Gas & Ry 5%.	96 1/2
S. V. Valley 5%.	115 1/2
S. P. RR of Cal, stamped.	107 1/2
Spring Valley Water 5%.	106 1/2
Cal Wine Assn.	91 1/2
Spring Val Wt 3rd Mfg 4%.	87 1/2
WATER STOCKS.	
Contra Costa.	39
Spring Valley.	38 1/2
STREET RAILROAD STOCKS.	
California.	199 206
Piedmont.	38 41
BANK STOCKS.	
American National Bank.	120 130
POWDER STOCKS.	
Vigorit.	4%
SUGAR STOCKS.	
Honolulu Sugar Co.	12 1/2
GAS AND ELECTRIC STOCKS.	
Pacific Lighting Company.	6 1/4
MISCELLANEOUS STOCKS.	
Alaska Packers' Assn.	139 140
Cal Fruit Cannery Assn.	93 95
Cal S. P. Ss.	91 92
Pacific Aux Fire Alarm Co.	167
SALES.	
4m Spring Valley.	106 1/2
1m Sact Elec Ry.	107 1/2
1m Sact Elec Ry.	107 1/2
5 Sact Elec Ry.	107 1/2
5 Sact Elec Ry.	107 1/2
1m Northern Ry Ss.	111 1/2
15 P. C. Borax.	167

THE NEW YEAR

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The Union Savings Bank

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Capital - \$300,000.00

Surplus - \$150,000.00

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Between Washington and Clay.

SOLDIER IS SENTENCED.

MISSOULA, Mont., Dec. 30.—Judge Webster sentenced John Tully, a soldier, to be hanged on February 26 for the murder of Thomas Kennedy at Fort Missoula on October 15 last.

Do You

Realize the Necessity

of having your Oculist's prescription filled by a man experienced in giving instant relief for EYE TRUBLES.

F. W. Laufer

Scientific Optician

1001 Washington Street, Oakland

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Why Pack That Cold

—or why be packed by it. We have enough of Webster's reliable La Grippe Cold Cure to exterminate every cold in Oakland. Ten hours after you take the first dose, your cold will disappear—that is if you take the ordinary reasonable precautions, and a bottle full costs but fifty cents.

Aching Backs are a curse, and anyone who will willingly be cured is, to put it mildly, unwise. Backs Backache, however, has never failed to do its full duty even on the most obstinate back. Price60c

Osgood's

THE DRUG CUTTER

The Store that always gives you exactly what you ask for.

Seventh and Broadway OAKLAND

JAPAN WAITS TO STRIKE THE BLOW

BERLIN, Dec. 30.—The Lokal Anzeiger without reserve says: "The Japanese government has informed the representatives of the powers at Tokio that the situation at this moment is unbearable and that Japan must strike if Russia does not accept the propositions Japan has submitted, as Japan cannot longer wait for a final decision."

LONDON, Dec. 30.—Japan this evening completed the purchase of the Argentine warships Moreno and Rivadavia, building at Genoa, Italy, for which Russia also was negotiating.

POWERS GETTING WORRIED.

Russian Newspapers Are Now Talking About War.

Berlin and Paris not Yet Ready to Believe There Will Be Clash.

WASHINGTON, December 30.—The Japanese Minister called at the State Department today and reported that the situation in the Far East is one that gives great concern and that Japan is making great preparations for the worst.

It is hoped, however, that Russia will reconsider her first answer to Japan's request.

Situation Desperate
PARIS, Dec. 30.—It is learned in diplomatic circles that the Japanese government has informed the foreign diplomats that the situation with respect to Russia is desperate, but not hopeless. It is believed this information was communicated to the French government for presentation at St. Petersburg.

Looks Like War
ST. PETERSBURG, December 30.—The foreign dispatches received here yesterday afternoon are reflected to-day in more pessimistic editorials. The Novoye Vremya begins its leader with, "There is no war today; tomorrow there may be war."

The paper rather fatalistically directs attention to the fact that was marked the opening of the seventeenth, eighteenth and nineteenth centuries. The Novoye Vremya, nevertheless, still possesses faith in a peaceful settlement, saying:

"We believe Japan will not place Russia in a position where to yield would appear to be a renunciation of the defense of her vital interests in the Far East. Russia does not desire war, but nobody in Russia will permit the Japanese or other friends to execute a diplomatic dance upon Russia's peaceful disposition. In firm consciousness of her power Russia will await events."

Paris Hopeful
PARIS, December 30.—While still not believing that war between Russia and Japan will occur, the optimistic tone in official and diplomatic circles here was somewhat modified today by advices from Tokyo and St. Petersburg. Japan, it appears, is hastening

preparations for the purpose. It is suggested of influencing Russia's action upon the Japanese note. Russia, on the other hand, has no intention to hurry. Her reply is not expected to be made before January 10th. Russia's purpose seems to be to put the onus of declaring war upon Japan, if such be the result of the negotiations.

News in London
LONDON, December 30.—It was said at the Foreign Office this morning that up to this time the officials had received no intimation of the nature of the Russian reply to Japan, but they were still hopeful of a peaceful solution.

Berlin's Position
BERLIN, Dec. 30.—The foreign office continues to assure inquirers that the German government does not believe war will issue from the Japanese-Russian controversy. This also is the view of the press, whether derived from official sources or as independent opinion. The Japanese legation believes and hopes Russia will grant Japan's just requests. Count von Osten-Sacken, the Russian ambassador, has been accepting invitations in unusual numbers, appearing at breakfasts, receptions, dinners and balls, serene and confident, always taking it as an impossibility that the situation in the Far East is even grave. Others of the diplomatic corps seem to be without news and express general ideas, the easy and safe one being that "hostilities are quite unlikely," and that each side is testing its adversary to the breaking point. Everywhere there is anxiety for authoritative news that shall bring the period of suspense to an end.

The mobilization of the Japanese navy is at least partially attributed, according to a Vladivostok dispatch to the Cologne Gazette, to open acts of hostility on the part of the Koreans toward Japanese, probably necessitating active measures of defense of Japanese interests in Southern Korea. The Cologne Gazette considers that this despatch is an admission that Japan has a good claim to defend her interests in Southern Korea by force of arms and controverts the rumors to the effect that Russia would regard the landing of a defense of Japanese interests in Southern Korea as a casus belli.

The paper concludes: "The attitude of Russia on this question may therefore be regarded as a further concession on her part." News has been received here confirming previous reports that Japan is mobilizing, probably with the object of occupying Korea. The confirmation has reached the German government officially, and it is interpreted here, as in Paris, to mean, not that Japan intends to send an ultimatum to Russia, but that Japan may occupy Korea without Russia considering it a casus belli.

The situation is regarded here tonight as developing rapidly, yet not necessarily toward war.

NEARLY KILLED IN RUNAWAY.

BERKELEY, Dec. 30.—Henry Abel, a driver for D. R. Schaeffer, a North Berkeley grocer, was almost killed this morning in a runaway accident at the corner of Hilgard and Euclid avenues. The wagon ran against the curb, throwing Abel heavily to the stone gutter. It is believed that his skull was fractured. Dr. J. E. Kelsey, who was called to attend Abel, says that he will live.

ATTEMPT DISCOVERED.

CHICAGO, December 30.—An attempt at escape from the county jail by one of the car barn bandits was discovered by Jailer Whitman today. The bars in Roesski's cell had been sawed in two and bent away. The saw could not be found. Roesski was transferred to another cell and the guard doubled.

STRANGE HYSTERIA OF A PRETTY YOUNG GIRL.



She Was Suddenly Stricken on Street After Meeting a Physician.

"Oh, Mama. I must either laugh or cry; I must either laugh or cry."

These were the words with which Miss Julia B. Swafford, daughter of Prof. and Mrs. Charles C. Swafford, greeted her mother, in August H. Schulze's restaurant, 409 Twelfth street last night, at the same time enfolded her parents in a loving embrace.

"Cry it out, there, Julia dear. It will do you good," said the mother in reply. There was then a slight effusion of tears and mother, daughter, father and a gentleman friend, left the place in a hack in which Prof. Swafford and his wife had driven to the restaurant and returned to the family home, 571 Santa Clara avenue, Linda Vista terrace. Prof. Swafford is connected with the Polytechnic Business College.

Scarcely 30 minutes before Miss Julia Swafford had left her home after informing her parents that she was about to visit a family in which she had some friends and with whom she had made an appointment to spend the evening. She took a cab at the corner of Oakland and Santa Clara avenues on her way to her destination.

MESSAGE OF TROUBLE.

A few minutes later, a telephone message was received at the Swafford home to the effect that the daughter was suffering from an attack of hysteria and that she had been wandering the streets alone, appealing piteously to passers by with hands and eyes, because the attack, as alleged, had rendered her speechless.

Prof. and Mrs. Swafford immediately summoned a hack and drove to the restaurant, greatly disturbed by the story they had heard, all the more so because their daughter was in the best of spirits when she left the home only a few moments before.

CORDIAL GREETING.
When father, mother and daughter met,

the meeting was cordial, though the episode had been distorted by public prints to make it appear that the girl was wandering aimlessly about and that the temporary paralysis of her mental faculties had been occasioned by a misunderstanding between her and her parents.

THE MOTHER'S STORY.
Mrs. Swafford, in speaking of the matter with a TRIBUNE reporter today, said:

"It is a damnable lie. There is scarcely a line of truth in the story. It is true that my husband and myself brought our daughter home in a hack. It is true that she was suffering from a mild attack of hysteria, but what may have occasioned it is nobody's business. It was not caused by any misunderstanding between her and her father or myself. She is one of the most lovable of girls and our relations are of the pleasantest character."

"My daughter was not wandering around the streets alone. That is a damnable lie. We knew where she was going to spend the evening. She had left home only a short time before we met her. She took the cab, just a block away. We knew where she was going, but before she reached the place she was going to, she met some of her friends coming away from there. Whether this surprised her or startled her is nobody's business."

SUBJECT TO HYSTERIA.

"My daughter is subject to attacks of this kind. Besides, she has been working nearly every night lately and that, of course, has had the effect of wearying her."

"Besides, she has recently heard some

The three best words in the grocery business; Schilling's Best and moneylack.

had news. We have all heard some bad news. These things combined could easily have affected my daughter, who, while a large girl, is rather weakly. She is eighteen years of age. It was said, too, that a doctor accidentally recognized her on the street. It is no such thing. He was with her at the time and was one of the friends she was to have met at the home which she was to have visited that night.

"There is no truth in the story that my daughter was speechless and that she was obliged to use herself. When my husband and myself reached Julia, she threw her arms around my neck and said that she would have to either cry or laugh, and I told her to cry and it would do her good. When we arrived home, I undressed Julia, and she was asleep in bed in five minutes."

ADDRESS CAUSES A STIR.

PROF. O'CONNOR SAYS TEACHERS SHOULD BAND TOGETHER FOR PROTECTION.

SAN FRANCISCO, December 30.—The convention of California educators was largely attended today. The Department of High School Education, after the transaction of the routine business, listened to a paper by Prof. Joseph O'Connor of the Mission High School on "High School Teachers' Salaries," which caused quite a stir among members of this department. Prof. O'Connor said:

"The school teachers should imitate the labor unions in banding together for mutual protection and fair treatment and thus give a lifetime to the service of the public. They are as worthy of pensions when their powers decline as police or firemen, or even crippled soldiers."

He also declared that the salaries of high school teachers should be increased. The paper was discussed at length by Professors Webb of Crockett, Connell of Livermore, Ferguson of Petaluma, Mrs. Pragg of San Francisco, C. W. Mark and F. H. Clark, all of whom agreed with Professor O'Connor.

A committee was appointed to investigate the protective association recently formed among the teachers of New York and publish their report for distribution throughout the State. A. W. Scott of Alameda read a paper on "Is a Reduction in the Number of Units (Fifteen) Required by the Universities Desirable? If So, on What Grounds?" and E. M. Cox of Santa Rosa, on "Should Some Other Laboratory Science be Accepted in Alternative for Physics for the Culture Colleges?"

Walter B. Magee explained the necessity of physical culture in the public school, and the method in use was illustrated by a class of boys.

FIFTEEN UNION MEN ON TRIAL.

GEORGETOWN, Colo., December 30.—Hearing of evidence began today in the trial of fifteen labor union men charged with complicity in the Sun and Moon dynamiting at Idaho Springs on July 25 last in which Philip H. Hare, one of the dynamiters, was killed.

All the defendants except D. C. Coffey are members of the Idaho Springs Miners' Union and Coffey is a member of the executive board of the Western Federation of Miners.

Forty-six witnesses have been summoned for the prosecution, some of whom it was asserted by Attorney Ralph Thibault in his opening statement would divulge a plot in which they were concerned for the destruction of the Sun and Moon property. The attorneys for the defense deferred their opening statement until after the testimony for the State is introduced.

IS A COUNTERFEITER.

ATCHISON, Kan., Dec. 30.—A trunk belonging to W. B. Lockett, under arrest at Leavenworth and containing ten pounds of melted silver, was found today in his room on a lane north of Atchison. The police are certain that Lockett had confederated and that they have operated extensively in this section. The police hold copies said to have come from Lockett, which give the formula for making gold and silver coins. The silver dollars, which are of the same size and weight as the genuine, are of the same color and luster. It is believed that Lockett's real name is Hendricks and that his home is in Illinois.

ARE BEGINNING EARLY.

OMAHA, Dec. 30.—Representative Republicans of Nebraska held a meeting today to organize a movement for the advancement of the candidacy of John L. Webster for the vice-presidency. A number of addresses were made by Republican leaders, following which a committee of five was appointed to select an executive committee of thirty members. This committee will consist of leading Republicans of Nebraska, whose work will be that of extending the Webster propaganda throughout the western states. Resolutions endorsing Roosevelt and Webster were adopted unanimously.

DEMAND AN INCREASE.

CHICAGO, December 30.—The Stationary Engineers' Union has presented a demand for an increase of wages to the managers of 125 of the big office buildings. They are receiving 32 cents an hour and demand 37½ cents. The men threaten to strike. A demand for a similar increase is to be made on the hotel proprietors.

ENGAGEMENT OF GOLD.

NEW YORK, December 30.—Muller, Schacht & Company announced today an engagement of \$300,000 in gold for import to this city from London.

CHARGES AGAINST BOARD.

KANSAS CITY SCHOOL DIRECTORS SAID TO DEMAND MONEY.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., December 30.—Before the grand jury at Kansas City, Kan., today George McL. Miller, a member of the Board of Education, told the jury. It is said that an agent of a Chicago book firm told him that one of the other members of the board had agreed to secure a contract to supply books to the public schools in consideration of \$700.

The school book agent then arranged a meeting with the members of the board, when a verbal agreement was made and witnessed by two other persons. Mr. Miller also told the jury, it is said, that a contractor last year stated to him that a member of the board had offered him \$10,000 to get the signatures of the board for paying in front of a school building.

RACE ENTRIES FOR TOMORROW.

FIRST RACE.
Six furlongs; selling; 4-year-olds and upward.
5519 Nulrah 100
5546 Rosebud 100
5538 Maraschino 100
5519 Hissel 100
5538 Rev. Harker 100
5546 Lingo 100
5519 The Stewardess 100
5546 Emily Oliver 100
5538 Maresa 100
5519 Skip Me 100

SECOND RACE.
Six and a half furlongs; 2-year-olds; purse.
5511 Dick Turpin 100
5527 Cleburn 100
5538 Kishwood 100
5546 Or. Rowan 100
5519 Young Pepper 100
5538 Menden 100
5546 Fly Ball 100
5511 Military Man 100

THIRD RACE.
Six furlongs; 4-year-olds and upward.
5519 Volma Clark 100
5546 M. H. 100
5538 Goddess of Night 100
5519 Lou Chiselden 100
5546 Aunt Polly 100
5538 Florent 100
5519 Alameda 100
5546 Rustle 100
5538 Theresa Roy 100
5519 Louis Wagner 100

FOURTH RACE.
One and a sixteenth mile; selling; 3-year-olds and upward.
5511 Lacy Crawford 100
5527 Tossard 100
5538 The Prince 100
5546 Jockey Club 100
5519 G. Anderson 100
5538 Presto 100
5546 Mattie Clark 100
5511 Diamante 100

FIFTH RACE.
Five and a half furlongs; purse; all ages.
5519 Glenview 100
5546 Rockaway 100
5538 Gilsdale 100
5519 Rake Barton 100
5546 Arabella 100
5538 Novator 100
5519 Egyptian Princess 100

SIX RACE.
One mile and fifty yards; selling; all ages.
5519 Argosette 100
5546 Carmel 100
5538 The Prince 100
5519 June Holly 100
5546 Virginia Ray 100
5538 W. W. Trapham 100

TRIBUNE'S SELECTIONS.

First race—Hillhouse, Maresa, The Stewardess.

Second race—Dick Turpin, Menden, Dr. Rowell.

Third race—Matt Moran, Louis Wagner, Charles H. Hare.

Fourth race—Jockey Club, Lacy Crawford, Rosanie.

Fifth race—Novator, Rockaway, Burdette.

Sixth race—Heather Honey, Coronel, Jane Holly.

ARCHBISHOP FARLEY INVITED TO VISIT ROME.

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—Archbishop Farley of this city has received an invitation to visit Rome to attend the celebration of the jubilee of the Innocent, which will be held on January 6 next to assume the papacy.

NEW CLAIM AGENT.

OGDEN, Utah, December 30.—W. S. Hussey, who has been claim agent for the Union Pacific at Beaver for several years, will sever his connection with the company on January 2 next to assume charge of the claim department of the Santa Fe, Los Angeles and Salt Lake Railway, with headquarters at Los Angeles.

PLAN A DANCE.

ALAMEDA, December 30.—Whitten House Company No. 2 have planned for a large social gathering at the fire house on Webster street, in the West End, on New Year's eve. They propose to dance the old year out and the new one in. Many invitations are out and a good time anticipated. Refreshments will be served.

PANAMA MANAGERS UPHELD.

Opposition Rooted While Report Was Being Read.

Agreements With United States Are Practically Upheld.

PARIS, December 30.—Owing to the recent events at Panama the annual meeting of the Panama Canal Company, which began this afternoon, developed unusual interest and excitement. Prior to the opening efforts were made to secure enough proxies to overrule the existing management of the company, which is favorable to the sale of the company's properties to the United States. The meeting took place in the Hall of Agriculture, which was crowded with officials, stockholders and prominent financiers. At the opening of the meeting the management submitted a report of the recent events on the isthmus, in the course taken by the company. The report set forth that the Republic of Panama today exercised sovereignty over the isthmus, displacing Colombia's former sovereignty, that the United States, France, Russia, Great Britain, Germany and other countries had recognized Panama's supremacy, and added:

WHAT REPORT SAYS.

"In view of the accepted fact and in face of superior force we can only maintain and continue the existing arrangements with the United States."

The report also explained that the fact that the United States had not ratified the treaty with Panama, the execution of the company's engagements with the United States.

"It is under these circumstances," the report continues, "that we invoke you to give to the company an express approval of the company's management with the United States government and the Republic of Panama."

The report of the President disclosed Colombia's recent efforts to induce the company to continue dealing with the old government of the isthmus, saying:

THE UPRISING.

"Prior to the Panama uprising the committee of the company recommended action which would have excluded the company's rights. It proposed to insert an item of \$1,000,000 in the Colombia budget to reimburse the company for its losses. The agent of the company, who was posted and the French government, was assured that it would do all possible to prevent the sacrifice of French property and interests."

Following the Panama outbreak Colombia notified the company November 28 that it would maintain the company's rights, but would oppose the transfer of the concessions to any government whatsoever.

COLUMBIA'S POSITION.
"On January 2 Colombia's agent here, M. Samper, notified the company that while Colombia was ready, ready to uphold the company's rights, yet if the company entered into relations with the republic government of transferred its rights to another government, Colombia would consider such a transfer an abandonment of the concession which would be a breach of contract. The company rejected the offer, and the company's agent, who was posted and the French government, was assured that it would do all possible to prevent the sacrifice of French property and interests."

During Secretary Lamont's reading of the report the disaffected element booed and cat-called, creating much disorder. The speech of M. Clouston, a representative of the old company, was also booed.

THEY HOOTED.

Finally two resolutions were adopted, the first approving the accounts and the second endorsing the company's management. The speech of M. Clouston, a representative of the old company, was also booed.

THE VOTE.

The vote on the first resolution was 239 in favor of it to 128 against it, showing the insignificance of the opposition to the United States.

The extension of the Colombian representative from the company caused further disorder. M. Thibault protested in his behalf. The President explained that the company's agent, who was posted and the French government, was assured that it would do all possible to prevent the sacrifice of French property and interests.

RATE IS RAISED.

BOMBAY, December 30.—The rate of discount of the Bank of Bombay and the Bank of Bengal at Calcutta was raised today from 5 to 6 per cent.

DYNAMITED SAFE.

DES MOINES, Iowa, December 30.—Purjari dynamited the safe of O. Cohen, jeweler and pawnbroker, last night and secured \$5000 in cash, diamonds, watches and other property.

Every Saturday Evening

This Bank Will Keep Open from 7 to 9 o'clock

Commercial and Savings deposits received, checks paid, and business transacted in every department of the Bank the same as during any other business hour of the week.

Commercial Department Savings Department
Exchange Department Loan Department

Safe Deposit Vaults

all will be open for the accommodation of our customers.

THE OAKLAND BANK OF SAVINGS

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Resources - - - \$11,000,000.00
Cash and United States Bonds 3,286,000.00

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ADVERTISING CALIFORNIA.

Many excellent suggestions are made as to how California should be advertised in the East with a view to attracting immigration and capital, but in laying particular stress upon some things other essentials of a civilized community are practically ignored.

It is agreed that our climate is one of the strongest cards we can play, but from that point there is a wide divergence as to what features make the most attractive presentation to Eastern people. Many hold the curiosity to produce citrus fruits is a most captivating prospect, and to a considerable extent they are right. Others insist that advertising our gold mines will still cast a glamor over the imagination, and there is some truth in that. Still others believe in making known the general fertility of our soil and its adaptability to the production of all kinds of fruits and cereals as the surest thing on which to count.

All these propositions leave something to be said that is as desirable as essential. Roads and schools are as necessary to human comfort and convenience as fruits, flowers and climate. Why not make known to the people what we have to offer in the way of educational facilities and good highways? The school system of California is second to none in the Union; it is susceptible of improvement, but it can stand comparison with the oldest and most advanced commonwealths of the Atlantic seaboard. We have two splendid universities that give tuition free and afford scholastic advantages second only to two or three of the largest institutions of the kind in the country. There are many technical schools in which an industrial education can be obtained free of cost. The primary and graded schools are high-class in point of curriculum and standard of fitness in the teaching force. We have five normal schools educating teachers without charge for instruction.

These are excellent things to place before the Eastern public. Knowledge of them will encourage people to come here, for it will give an assurance that their children can have in California all the opportunities for acquiring an education that are enjoyed elsewhere. Indeed, the opportunities are better here than in two-thirds of the States of the Union.

An admirable system of country roads is being constructed in this State. A few years ago the condition of our rural highways afforded much ground for complaint, but a vigorous good roads campaign has worked wonders in the way of improvement. In a number of counties the highways challenge comparison with those of the older States. In Alameda, Marin, Santa Clara, Los Angeles and Fresno counties the roads are notably good. All over California, however, the highways are being improved. Scientific methods are employed and the better features of road construction utilized.

This is a good point to advertise. For rural mail delivery, schools and cultivated society are a corollary of good roads. Firm, clean highways rob rural life of its isolation and discomforts, and render it more attractive to people of culture and refinement.

There is no form of public improvement that brings in a larger and more direct return than good roads. They increase the effective capacity of draught stock and decrease the wear and tear of vehicles. They enhance the value of farms and increase the profits of farming. And while we are improving roadways, we should not neglect their appearance from an aesthetic point of view. A movement has been inaugurated to line our improved highways with shade trees. It should extend all over the State. If the public roads in the San Joaquin and Sacramento valleys were bordered with trees the whole aspect of the plains country would be transformed. If we will continue to build good roads and plant trees along them, we would soon have a feature to advertise that would not be second to oranges or gold.

There is no particular mystery about small boys turning burglars. It is simply evidence of bad blood or bad bringing up.

Richard Olney is a strong man, but a weak candidate for the Democrats to nominate. Political geography renders him ineligible. He comes from New England, a section solidly Republican, and from Massachusetts, a State that has never cast its electoral vote for a Democrat. Mr. Olney is also identified with the great strike of 1894 in a way to provoke strong opposition in the labor unions. Professionally he is prominent as an attorney for corporations. This fact alone would cost him thousands of votes. Mr. Olney is able and honorable which will be cheerfully admitted by his opponents, but his lightning rod is elevated in the wrong place, and besides, it is not the right kind of a lightning rod. It seems strange that Mr. Olney himself does not see that he has no chance, but when the Presidential bee gets in the bonnet, it frequently drives discretion out of the head.

ALAMEDA'S GRIM WARNING.

The people of Alameda will find in the new city directory a showing that conveys a grave warning that the franchise question, which has divided them into warring factions for months past, must be settled quickly and in a way to give assurance that there will be no recurrence of it for many years to come.

The directory shows Alameda as a city in which growth and improvement have been suddenly arrested. The city had been growing steadily up to the time the franchise dispute arose. Building was active, and evidence of public and private improvement was visible on every hand. Property values were steady and conservatively advancing.

Now everything is at a standstill. Alameda shows no substantial increase in population for the year 1903. If appearances count for anything there are actually fewer residents in the city today than there were six months ago. The real estate market is lifeless and property values depressed. A feeling of unrest and insecurity pervades the community.

Yet Alameda is still the same charming city it has been in the past. It is still a delightful place in which to reside, and its prospects, save for the local transportation problem, are as bright as they ever were—indeed they are brighter because the projected improvement of the inner harbor will do a great deal toward promoting the prosperity of the town.

Everybody knows what is the matter with Alameda—why it has suddenly stopped growing and improving. It is the deadlock over the renewal of the franchises of the Southern Pacific Company. A great body of the residents of Alameda have their business or employment in San Francisco, and this fact renders rapid transit and a frequent ferry service an imperative necessity. The Southern Pacific Company already gives Alameda a fifteen minute train and boat service, and is willing to continue it, and increase it when necessary, provided the city renounces its franchises on terms it has set forth. A considerable number of people have insisted upon making conditions which the company will not even consider much less accept. A deadlock has ensued, and the city is languishing in consequence. The effort to make the railroad company accept terms it does not want has proved a failure. It was doomed to failure from the start for the obvious reason that it takes two to make a bargain and for the additional reason that the company held the stronger position. It is not dependant upon Alameda, but Alameda is dependant upon the company.

The situation conveys its own moral. The citizens of Alameda had better grant the franchises on the terms the railroad company is willing to accept, and grant them at once. Every day of delay hurts the town by keeping alive controversy and accentuating the feeling of unrest and uncertainty. Without rapid rail and ferry service Alameda will be dead for years to come. The Southern Pacific is alone in a position to give this service. So the citizens of Alameda are quarrelling with the only ally they have, and they are doing it at a time when strenuous efforts are being made to divert suburban development to the northward on this side the bay and to Marin and San Mateo counties. In all these sections opposition rapid transit systems are endeavoring to create business by building up new suburban districts.

Alameda has the Southern Pacific alone to depend upon, and has sent hope of any other service for many years to come. Therefore the citizens of that city had better realize and grasp the situation. The quicker they drop their contentions and grant the franchises, the better it will be for them and for Alameda county. They cannot afford to keep on cutting off their noses to spite their own faces. It distorts their looks but doesn't hurt anybody else. Besides being futile, it is foolish.

According to a department ruling the Philippines are foreign territory so far as the Chinese exclusion act is concerned. This ruling proceeds on the theory that the islands are not a part of the United States, but foreign territory belonging to the United States—in other words, are property of our government. The distinction may be a fine one, but it has been drawn by the Federal Supreme Court, and in this instance serves a good purpose. It has been feared that the acquisition of the Philippines would reopen the door to Chinese immigration, but the fear is groundless unless the Federal courts should nullify the ruling of the department.

Says the Kansas City Times:

"William Root, one of the foremost lawyers of the country, has won many notable cases in his time, and he seems likely to add the case of General Leonard Wood to his list."

Are we to understand that Secretary Root is acting as General Wood's attorney in the matter of his promotion? If so, the Secretary of War is carrying the practice of his profession to something of an extreme.

THE FRIAR LAND PURCHASE.

There has been some sharp criticism of the agreement to purchase the friar lands in the Philippines for \$7,233,784. Why should we pay the friars again for the lands, it is asked, after paying Spain \$20,000,000 for the islands? The query is disingenuous. We bought the sovereignty of the Philippines from Spain, but our government did not thereby acquire title to property in the islands owned by private persons. On the contrary, the treaty of purchase expressly guaranteed the sacredness of private ownership.

But the people of the United States will not have to pay a cent for the purchase of the friar lands. The first cost will be defrayed by a bond issue chargeable against the government and revenues of the Philippines, payable in thirty years but redeemable in ten years at the option of the government. In turn the government will be reimbursed by the sale of the lands to the tenants. This is an equitable arrangement of the highest public policy entailing no public burden whatever.

The lands purchased embrace 391,000 acres of the most fertile and best tilled farms in the Philippines. The cost price therefore is a trifle under \$20 an acre, which is conceded to be about half the actual value. Consequently the bargain made by Governor Taft is an exceedingly advantageous one for the Philippines, who will now be enabled to buy their homes on easy terms. In addition a vexed question has been settled and an obstacle to the prosperity of the islands removed. Instead of being criticized the government is to be commended for effecting so advantageous a settlement of an irritating problem.

The annual statement of the Treasurer of Oklahoma is a convincing proof that the Territory is entitled to Statehood. For the year ending November 30th, the revenue receipts were \$1,022,463 and the expenditures \$554,059. For the school fund the receipts were \$213,114.37 and the expenditures \$218,132.16. There are a dozen States with smaller revenues than this prosperous Territory, which contains upward of 600,000 inhabitants. A large issue of 4 per cent bonds was recently sold at Oklahoma City at a premium of over 3 per cent. The bank clearings of Guthrie exceed those of Fall River or Evansville. Yet for purely political reasons Oklahoma is kept waiting in the ante-room for admission into the Union, and will probably have to wait till after the next Presidential election.

The Los Angeles Examiner has been running only two weeks but there are already seismic rumblings all along the Southern coast.

Secretary Hay's condition is unchanged and so is the Panama situation. Singular coincidence, isn't it?

Chips From Other Blocks

The leading man in the "Ten Nights in a Bar Room" company was recently arrested and fired for getting drunk, and O. Carrie Nation! It was in Kansas!—Houston Chronicle.

Somehow this decision of the British House of Lords against admitting women to the bar to practice law doesn't strike us as such an awful calamity. —Boston Herald.

New rich gold fields have been discovered in Mexico. There's no use talking, that country will have to be Anglo-Saxonized. —Chicago Record-Herald.

The experience of the young woman who embraced the wrong man shows it is also a wise woman that knows her own husband. —New York Press.

During the football season of 1903 only 19 players were killed, 39 seriously wounded and several hundred maimed. What a lady-like sport. —Memphis Commercial-Appeal.

If drunkenness is to become a legal excuse for murder, the best thing one can do is to hurry up and get drunk in self-defense. —Stockton Record.

At any rate it was not a member of the Missouri General Assembly who stole the bedding from the smallpox hospital in Fort Wayne, Ind.—Kansas City Star.

A London man has been awarded \$1,250 against a girl for breach of promise. The world moves. Some of us may yet live long enough to hear of an automobilist recovering damages in court. —Louisville Courier-Journal.

Elsewhere a man at the door, pa. who says he wants to "see the boss of the house." Tell your mother. Ma (calling down stairs)—Tell Bridget. —Philadelphia Press.

TEETHING.

They used to lance the gums or give sleeping powders. Both are out of date. It is now known that it is slow teething that causes all the trouble, and that it is due to lack of bone material necessary to supply the hardening bones and forming teeth. The fact that the right kind of food almost at once corrects soft shells is fully suggested to a physician Sweet's Teething Food. It was originated by a physician and is prescribed by physicians. A little in baby's milk twice a day starts the teeth and stops the fussing and distresses of slow teething in twenty-four hours. Baby is sweating, fretting or crying out. It sleep don't wait for convulsions, but go to Sweet's Teething Food. It is a safe, reliable, six weeks) of Sweet's Teething Food has saved the lives of thousands of babies. Ask for free booklet showing what babies are doing well. It can't do any harm—medicine without a physician's aid. You have a friend whose baby is suffering. Kindly tell her.

Hints for the Ladies.

Persian embroideries are seen on some of the daintiest of white silk stocks.

An odd ring in silver is in the design of a death's head with the skull and cross-bones.

Gold and silver buttons in ball shape are among the costly novelties in the button line.

Velvet is shown in all the new colorings as well as the modish pastel shades and is much in demand in the delicate shades for separate evening waists.

Velvets are used for frocks for women and children this season and the shops are showing some beautiful designs made up from this costly and exquisite fabric.

Handkerchiefs having gay lower designs and bright borders are sold expressly for making the new handkerchief pillows, now so popular and cost only 9 cents apiece.

There are some lovely things in candle shades. A dainty one was of white brook cloth with a design in pale pink roses painted upon it and edged with a tiny ruffling of white chiffon.

A lace scarf composed of myriads of tiny lace ruffles on a net foundation, after the fashion of the flat, marabout scarf, is one of mabelle's latest fancies.

A handsome fish set is ornamented about the edge with a design in conventionalized leaves, while in the center of each plate is a brilliantly colored fish, each plate and the platter showing a different variety.

Fiber lace that is dyed to match the different popular colors in fabrics is to be had and is among the most popular trimmings of the hour. One lovely brown waist seen had a yoke of dyed lace that exactly matched, while another one was of pale blue trimmed in pale-blue lace.

A frock of pale gray velvet is seen in one of the smart attelers has a bustle of gray lace with tiny wreaths made of quilled pale blue silk applique on the lace. The centre—a deep one of folded light blue silk—is ornamented in front with buckles of turquoises and gray smoked pearls. There are streamers of gray and blue chiffon.

SOME PASSING JESTS.

La Montt—He certainly has a keen appreciation of singing.

La Moyne—Can he understand grand opera songs?

La Montt—I should say so. Why, he can even understand college songs. —Chicago News.

De Broune—Mr. Manley still es me as being a perfect gentleman.

Chumppon Chumppu—Hardly perfect, don't ye know? He was born on his side. —New Orleans Times-Democrat.

Cold Reception.

Comedian—What became of that old New England play that had a real snowstorm?

Soubrette—I met with a heavy frost. —Chicago News.

Size.

Maud—That is Miss Ryno, the heiress. She was born, you know, with a silver spoon in her mouth.

Mabel (inspecting her)—It looks as if it might have been a sour ladle. —Chicago Tribune.

ALWAYS HAD IT.

"Has your husband a birthmark or anything of that kind by which he may be identified?" asked the detective.

The deserted wife reflected a moment. "Yes, sir," she said. "He has a sort of 'birthmark' on his face, and it is born with him, I guess." —Chicago Tribune.

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Besides "The Sea Wolf," the January Century contains a number of capital short stories, an article on radium, by its discoverer, a remarkable study of a dog, by Mactierlock, Thackeray's newly published letters, Edith Wharton's article on Italian gardens, with Maxfield Parrish's pictures; Ernest Thompson Seton's Fables, with his own pictures, &c., &c.

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THE LATEST NEWS.

KILLED IN COLLISION IN THE SOUTH.

WARSHIPS LEAVE FOR PANAMA.

An Engine Runs Into An Electric Car in Los Angeles.

LOS ANGELES, December 30.—Crew failed to see him in time, or lost control of the brakes for a moment, and the train, which was running slowly, struck the car.

The crew of the car saw that a smash-up was inevitable and both men jumped, saving themselves. Stern was inside the car and could not escape. Mrs. O'Brien and Stein also failed to notice the impending smash until hurried from the seats.

Charles Stern is owner of the Stern winery. He was about 65 years old and leaves three grown sons.

NEW DIRECTORY OF OAKLAND.

A new directory of Oakland, Alameda and Berkeley has just been issued from the press of THE OAKLAND TRIBUNE. It was published by F. M. Hunt and is complete in every detail. It gives the name, occupation and address of every adult person in the three cities together with a classified business directory.

In addition there is a complete street, church and school directory, revised down to date, not only of Oakland, but of Berkeley and Alameda as well. The book is nicely gotten up in a compact form and will be found serviceable and correct.

One of the features of the directory is a section devoted to the lodges and unions of Oakland, giving their meeting places and times of meeting. The street guide is complete and simple and through it strangers will have no difficulty in reaching any portion of the three cities.

In the back of the book is given a directory of representative firms in San Francisco.

EVIDENCE OF OAKLAND'S GROWTH.

There can be no more convincing evidence offered to show that Oakland is growing steadily and rapidly than that furnished from the official reports of the Sanitary Inspector to the Board of Health. All houses erected must be reported to him for inspection, and his figures are reliable. A compilation of the figures for the year gives the following results by months, to which should be added about fifty additional structures under way, but not sufficiently advanced to be reported for sanitary testing:

In January there were 45 private houses and 4 flats completed; February, 56 houses, 12 flats and 2 buildings containing stores and dwellings; March, 59 houses, 6 flats and 4 stores and dwellings; April, 66 houses, 30 flats, 2 stores and dwellings; May, 35 houses, 10 flats, 2 stores and dwellings; June, 39 houses, 17 flats and 2 dwellings; July, 47 houses, 11 flats, 4 stores and dwellings; August, 34 houses, 6 flats, 1 store and dwelling; September, 43 houses, 20 flats, 1 store and dwelling; October, 39 houses, 15 flats; November, 31 houses, 3 stores and dwellings; December, 30 houses, 10 flats.

The grand total of completed buildings for the year is 545 houses, 133 flats, 16 stores and dwellings. The two large structures at Twelfth and Washington, and Twelfth and Broadway, representing large investments in themselves, have not been included in the above enumeration.

STOLE MONEY FROM TILL IN STORE.

Charles Marshall and Willie Reuter are boys who are in trouble. Willie is supposed to be in charge of the juvenile officer, but that did not prevent him, in company with Marshall, from stealing \$100 from the till in a store on Washington street yesterday and sending a dollar and a half to the proprietor's attendant, diverting in their direction. Marshall was turned over to his father, under agreement with the police that he should be put in charge of the boys and girls' aid society. Harry Colburn, another boy and friend of Willie, was sent out by a police officer to see that the boys were successfully as Holland or Shorey. He has done it, and as expeditiously.

NEW SUPERINTENDENT.

WASHINGTON, December 30.—The Postmaster-General has appointed Edward F. Kimball of Massachusetts superintendent of the money order system of the Postoffice Department. Mr. Kimball has been in charge of this branch of the service since the removal of J. T. Metcalfe during the Postoffice investigation.

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WANTS WITNESSES TO BE READY.

WILMINGTON, Del., December 30.—Attorney-General Ward today received a letter from District Attorney Hyattson of San Francisco asking him to have the Delaware witnesses in the case of Mrs. Botkin, accused of killing Mrs. Campbell and Mrs. Jennings of Dover, Del., by sending them to San Francisco, by February 15th next, when it is intended to take up Mrs. Botkin's second trial.

FEAR SHE HAS BEEN KIDNAPPED.

MERIDIAN, Miss., December 30.—No trace has been found of Miss Ethel Rowell, the missing heiress who disappeared from Meridian a week ago. Her relatives both here and in Birmingham now fear that she has been kidnapped and being held for a ransom. It has been rumored that Miss Rowell has been shadowed by unknown parties ever since it became known that she had become an heiress. This strengthens the belief of the family here that she has been kidnapped. Miss Rowell recently came into the fortune of Miss Minerva Brinton of Denver.

SCHOOLS WILL BE CROWDED.

BERKELEY, December 30.—Although additions representing twenty rooms have been added to the Lincoln, Whittier and McKinley schools, I believe that we will still be crowded at the opening of the spring term next Monday," said Superintendent of Schools S. D. Waterman this morning.

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John Gere and Ed Brown, arrested yesterday upon complaints of battery preferred by T. F. Little, C. J. Chase, J. K. Moore and M. McCarthy, were given till tomorrow to plead by Judge Smith this morning.

The disturbance occurred on the 27th, when it is alleged, Gere and Brown, without provocation, rushed into the saloon and jumped on the four men, who were quietly playing pool. But they were quickly pushed back and still have a badly bruised jaw and forehead. He said that he had refused to get into the fight because he was not in condition to carry any more, and that he had been in the fight for him on this account. The other men do not seem to be able to give a reason why they were in the fight, but they were at Watson's saloon on Washington street.

RETURNS TO POST.

WASHINGTON, December 30.—Minister Squiers has for the second time within six weeks curtailed his leave of absence and returned to Cuba. It is understood that the rather extraordinary legislation pending in the Cuban Congress requires the presence of the American minister. The proposed changes in the tariff schedules are regarded in some quarters here as tending to vitiate the spirit if not the letter of the Cuban reciprocity treaty.

DIED QUITE SUDDENLY.

Last night, about 10 o'clock, Mrs. Arthur Galtway died quite suddenly at the home of her husband on Broadway street. The lady had been slightly indisposed for a few days, but was about to go to bed. She had made an appointment to be at Dr. Will Dunn's office today to consult him about her health. Yesterday evening she was taken very ill and Dr. J. P. Dunn was called, but the lady was dead when he arrived. An autopsy will be held this afternoon.

GUNBOAT BENNINGTON AND TORPEDO BOAT DESTROYERS SAIL.

SAN FRANCISCO, December 30.—The gunboat Bennington and the torpedo boat destroyers Peble and Paul Jones sailed today for Panama, in accordance with instructions received some time ago. The transports Sherman and Buford will be prepared by Saturday to leave for the isthmus with men and supplies, if necessary.

The Creek is now on the dry dock and can be made ready in another week.

TODAY'S RACES.

SAN FRANCISCO, December 30.—Inglefield results:

First Race—(Future Course).
Troy, 13 to 5.
Oro Vida, 13 to 5.
Telamonte, 10 to 1.
Time, 1:12.

Second Race—(Six Furlongs).
Rockaway, 3 to 1.
Oro Vida, 13 to 5.
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Third Race—(Future Course).
Jenny Hughes, 15 to 1.
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MacAra, 13 to 5.
Egg, 13 to 5.
Time, 1:12.

Third Race—(One Mile).
Chubb, 13 to 5.
Fountain, 13 to 5.
Dr. Sierb, 13 to 5.
Time, 1:45.

LEAVES FORTUNE FOR A COLLEGE.

PEORIA, Ill., December 30.—The will of the late Washington Corrington, filed today for probate, leaves his fortune, valued at three-quarters of a million, for the founding of an educational institution to be known as Corrington Institute and University. His estate is to be managed by trustees until it reaches a million and a half, when work is to commence. He located the university on his home place, just outside the city limits of Peoria.

BALL PLAYER KILLED.

KNOXVILLE, Tenn., December 30.—Dennis Leiby, for several years a player in the Virginia league, was shot and killed here today by Frank Ragan. Ragan was arrested.

WANTS A DIVORCE.

Suit for divorce has been begun by Salvatore Ferrante against Gutta Ferrante on the grounds of cruelty. He alleges that he has been treated in an inhuman manner by his wife and asks the court to relieve him from the disastrous bonds.

MARGARET WARD'S ESTATE.

Enoch Hughes, P. S. McQuade and W. S. Angus, as appraisers of the estate of Margaret Ward, an insane person, filed their report and state that her property is of the value of \$100,000. It consists of money in bank, household effects and a couple of small pieces of property.

ACCIDENTALLY ASPHYXIATED.

SAN FRANCISCO, December 30.—Charles Blakman, a ship carpenter, was accidentally asphyxiated last night by escaping gas in his room on Mission street.

DR. EDSON NOT A RICH MAN.

(New York Telegram to the Pittsburgh Dispatch.)

It was a matter of great surprise to New Yorkers, as it is no doubt to the members of the country that the late Dr. Charles Edson, one of the most eminent medical men in the country, had left a fortune of little more than \$4000. His yearly income was said to be between \$50,000 and \$60,000. The widow herself gave a clue as to how this was spent. "When the summer came around and he was feeling well, he would ask me if I wouldn't like to go on a vacation trip. I'd be glad, of course, to take his vacation with him, and then he'd go out and charter a yacht for \$5000 or \$12,000, and by the time we got back he'd have lost everything left and would plunge into work to get it made up. He was a great extravaganter. The house at 56 West 12th street, in which Dr. Edson lived for many years and which everybody supposed he owned, was rented."

ST. LOUIS KENTUCKY CLUB CHOOSES NEW OFFICERS.

(St. Louis Globe Democrat.)

Harry R. Hawes was elected president of the Kentucky club of St. Louis at the sixth annual election held at the Missouri Athletic Club last night. The other officers elected were: Sam T. Price, first vice-president; William S. McChesney, second vice-president; Dr. John Young Brown, third vice-president; W. G. Lackey, secretary; W. M. McGee, treasurer; and R. W. Fleener, treasurer.

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SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 30.—Henry Herman, a young machine hand employed at the Central Mill & Lumber Company, was struck on the forehead by a splintered timber today and instantly killed.

SERIOUS RESULTS FROM FALL.

LEWELLYN CARROLL IS HURT BY BEING PUSHED OFF MOVING TRAIN.

BERKELEY, December 30.—Llewellyn Carroll, a sixteen-year-old high school boy residing at the corner of Walnut and Virginia streets, is suffering from severe injuries sustained by being thrown from the lead train at Berkeley station. While waiting down the steps of the car he was struck by the engine and fell, striking his knee on the ground and back against the car. He was carried to his home and despite the most careful medical treatment, erysipelas has set in, and serious results are anticipated.

ANNUAL MEETING OF GEOLOGISTS.

BERKELEY, December 30.—The Cordilleran Geological Society, the Pacific Coast branch of the American Geological Society, will hold its annual session on Friday and Saturday of this week at the University of California. This society has devoted itself principally to a study of the formations of the Rocky Mountains in this country, and the Andes in South America. It has on its roll of members all the prominent men in geological work on the Pacific Coast. Dr. Branner, one of the members of the Pacific Coast branch, will be shortly elected president of the national association.

The two days' session to be held in Berkeley will be devoted to the reading of papers on the geological formations of local areas. Among those who will attend the convention are men from the scientific departments of three universities. Some of those who will attend are: Professor John C. Merriam, Dr. A. C. Lawson, Professor J. H. Smith, P. M. Anderson, Professor H. D. Landwehrbach of the University of Nevada and U. S. Smith.

President W. C. Right, president of the University of New Mexico, will deliver one of the addresses of the convention. At the conclusion of the session officers will be elected for the ensuing year.

BRANNER SLATED FOR HIGH HONOR.

BERKELEY, December 30.—From reliable sources it has been learned that Professor John Caspar Branner, head of the geological department at Stanford University, will be elected president of the Geological Society of America at its next convention to be held in St. Louis on the opening of the new year. Dr. Branner is a member of the Cordilleran Society, the branch of the national association on the Pacific Coast. He has a distinguished record as a scientist and his election will mean an important recognition of the work that is being done in local fields.

COMMITTEES WILL MEET.

The Street Committee and the Municipal Light Committee of the City Council will meet tonight in the City Clerk's office.

BARN BURNED DOWN.

This forenoon some boys were playing with lighted candles about a barn on the premises of F. L. Krause, at 315 East Twentieth street, and managed to set it on fire. The structure was burned to the ground. Loss about \$200.

WILL ARREST VAGRANTS.

CRIPPLE CREEK, Colo., December 30.—Colonel Erdberg, commander of the troops in this district, today issued a proclamation giving notice that all vagrants found in Teller county will be arrested by the military authorities.

BIRTH RECORD.

Health Office reports this morning show the arrival of infant daughters in the families of George F. Smith, 1421 Ninth street, and James A. Grant, 1125 Adeline street.

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We will also place on sale the same day the entire stock of Hosiery, Underwear, Infants' Outfits, etc., purchased for this purpose from Mrs. H. Jacobs, San Francisco, now retired.

With the commencement of this sale, Tuesday, January 5th, Salinger's has secured the services of the best of the world's renowned lighting artist, who will paint pictures for customers in our windows every day until further notice. He will paint in oil beautiful landscapes, 12 x 22, 16 x 22, 10 x 16, each \$10.00 purchase and over one dozen 22 x 36 inch paintings. We will also guarantee to sell you frames to match pictures 25 per cent less than you can get them elsewhere.

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FOR SALE—A beautiful Mason & Hamlin organ, very little used, cost \$130; will sell for \$75. Call 17th and Broadway.

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JAPANESE wants position as school boy in Japan. Family pay from \$100 to \$150 per month. Must be 17 to 20 years old. Apply 457 9th st.

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